

Remarks/Arguments:

Applicant hereby elects Species I, Figure 1, with traverse, and submits that at least claims 1-10, 12-,14, 32-41, 53 and 54 read on the elected species.

The species listed in the detailed office action relate to a single general inventive concept. The general inventive concept is that the joint can only be charged with pressurized fluid when the tool is properly mounted as recited in claim 1 as amended. This amendment is disclosed at least on page 4, paragraph 3 of the description.

Neither GB 1,586,703 nor US 4,979,842 disclose the above-mentioned feature which relates to the single general inventive concept.

Page 4, lines 45 to 55 of GB '703, in conjunction with figure 4, discloses that a propeller 40 is removed from a shaft 43 by pressing through a connection 62 formed in the propeller, into a joint 63. The connection 62 has no working interaction with the tool 15. It is even disclosed (page 4, lines 45 to 48) that the tool 45/54 is removed before the oil is pressed in. The tool 54/55 is not connected to the fluid channel of the shrinkage disc unit. Furthermore, the tool 54/55 does not seal of the fluid channel of the shrinkage disc unit.

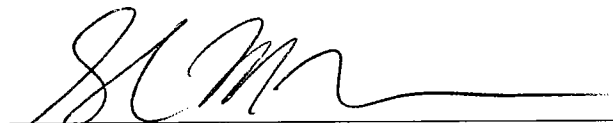
US 4,979,842 discloses a device in which a pressure space 5 (figure 1) can be charged with a pressurized fluid via a hydraulic conduit which is directed radially inwards. When the pressure space is charged with pressure, pressure rings 1 are axially displaced in opposite directions, thus producing the interference fit assembly. US '842 does not disclose a tool which can be axially supported and fixed in a predetermined rotational angular position on the rotational body or hub.

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Applicant respectfully submits that each of the claims relate to a single inventive concept and respectfully requests withdrawal of the election requirement. Early consideration and allowance of each of the pending claims are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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